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1. SECURITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE --

IN SC CONSULTATIONS, PRESIDENT BOYA (BENIN) PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING TENTATIVE PROGRAM OF WORK FOR MAY: MORNINGS MAY 24 AND 25, QUESTION OF BOTSWANA; AFTERNOONS MAY 24 AND 25, QUESTION OF LESOTHO; MAY 26, EXPANSION OF RHODESIAN SANCTIONS; AND MAY 27, UNDOF RENEWAL. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1469)

2. RENEWAL OF UNDOF'S MANDATE --

SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT (BENIN) SUGGESTED DURING INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS THAT THE SC MEET MAY 27 TO CONSIDER THE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE MANDATE OF THE UN DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (UNDOF), BUT INDICATED THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM IN MOVING THE DATE FORWARD WHEN IT WAS USGGESTED THAT MAY 27 WAS THE BEGINNING OF A LONG WEEKEND. HE REMARKED HE HAD ALREADY EMBARKED ON CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED AND WHEN THEY WERE COMPLETED WOULD INFORM COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE RESULTS. ISRAELIS INFORMED US THEY CONVEYED TO THE SC
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PRESIDENT THEIR AGREEMENT TO AN EXTENSION OF UNDOF FOR ANOTHER SIX-MONTH PERIOD WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THE RESOLUTION BE NEARLY EXACTLY THAT ADOPTED AT PREVIOUS RENEWALS. ACCORDING TO THE EGYPTIANS, THE SC AT A MINIMUM SHOULD EXPECT THE SYRIANS TO SEEK TO INTERJECT A PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH TO THE EFFECT THAT THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION CONTINUES UNSTABLE UNTIL THERE IS A DURABLE AND JUST PEACE. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1467)

3. MAPUTO CONFERENCE --

FIVE WESTERN MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AGAIN DISCUSSED POSITIONS ON THE MAPUTO CONFERENCE, AND, WHILE DIFFERENCES EXIST, COMMON THEEME WAS STATED BY CANADIAN AMB BARTON, WHO SAID THE FIVE IN MAPUTO SHOULD IDENTIFY TO OTHERS AT THE CONFERENCE THOSE PARTS OF THE DECLARATION THAT WOULD GIVE US SERIOUS DIFFICULTY AND COULD INHIBIT PROGRESS ON RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA,BUT NOT ENGAGE IN BARGAINING ON THE TEXT. COMMON EXPECTATION IS WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT THE FINAL TEXT OF THE DECLARATION, ALTHOUGH CANADIANS SAID THEY

WOULD NOT DECIDE IN ADVANCE OF A REVIEW OF THE FINAL TEXT.
(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1466)

4. DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM --

CONSULTATIONS INDICATE THERE WILL BE A CONSENSUS IN ECOSOC ON THE RESOLUTION ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND ON THE RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE 1977 APARTHEID CONVENTION IN LAGOS. THE EC-9 WILL CALL FOR A VOTE ON THE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION ON THE PROGRAM FOR THE DECADE AND ABSTAIN ON THE WHOLE. IF THERE WERE A SEPARATE VOTE ON THE PARAGRAPH PERTAINING TO ECONOMIC SANCTIONS, THE EC-9 WOULD VOTE "NO" ON THAT PARAGRAPH. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1462)

5. KOREA AT 32ND GA --

ROK OBSERVER'S OFFICE TOLD US THAT ROK CONTACTED THAILAND ABOUT
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POSSIBILITY OF LATTER'S PARTICIPATION IN THE CORE GROUP ON KOREA AND REPORTEDLY THAILAND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO JOIN THE GROUP. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1459)

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6. COMMITTEE FOR SPECIAL GA ON DISARMAMENT --

AMERASINGHE (SRI LANKA) SUBMITTED, ON BEHALF OF NONALIGNED MEMBERS ON THE COMMITTEE, A FOUR-POINT DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION AS THE COMMITTEE CONTINUED DEBATE MAY 10. IT CALLS FOR: REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE PRESENT INTERNATIONAL SITUATION IN THE LIGHT OF THE LACK OF ADEQUATE PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT, CONTINUATION OF THE ARMS RACE AND CLOSE INTER-RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISARMAMENT, INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; ADOPTION OF 1) A DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES AND 2) PROGRAM OF ACTION ON DISARMAMENT; AND REVIEW OF THE UN ROLE IN DISARMAMENT AND OF INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY FOR NEGOTIATIONS ON DISARMAMENT, INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF CONVENING A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE (WDC). (USUN 1468 NOTAL) THE SWEDISH REPRESENTATIVE, OBSERVING THAT PROSPECTS FOR CONVENING A WDC WITH PARTICIPATION OF ALL PERMANENT SC MEMBERS WERE NOT PROMISING IN THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE, PROPOSED INSTEAD THE CONVENING OF A FURTHER SPECIAL GA ON DISARMAMENT AFTER THREE TO FIVE YEARS. SHE ALSO PROPOSED A NEW UN STUDY ON THE INTER-RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISARMAMENT EFFORTS AND ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRESS. OTHER SPEAKERS WERE REPRESENTATIVES OF POLAND, MEXICO, CANADA, IRAN AND ROMANIA.

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MRS. THORSSON (SWEDEN) SAID THE TWO SUPERPOWERS HAD A
PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD THROUGH

THEIR OWN ARMAMENTS, AMOUNTING TO AROUND 60 PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S TOTAL. THEREFORE, SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS SOON IN SALT WAS ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL INGREDIENTS IN WORLD DISARMAMENT EFFORTS. THE REST OF THE WORLD WOULD EXPECT THE US AND USSR TO BE ABLE TO REPORT SUCH PROGRESS TO THE SPECIAL SESSION. SHE ADDED INTER ALIA THAT ONLY THROUGH SPEEDY RESULTS ON A NUCLEAR TEXT BAN AND THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS COULD THE CCD PROVE IT COULD BE AN EFFECTIVE NEGOTIATING BODY.

HOVEYDA (IRAN) STATED THAT BY A PROCESS OF SELECTION THE COMMITTEE SHOULD DETERMINE THE AREA WHERE THERE MIGHT BE A REASONABLE CHANCE OF OBTAINING RESULTS. THE SESSION'S MAIN OBJECTIVES COULD BEST BE ELABORATED BY TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE FOLLOWING TRENDS: UNRESTRAINED ARMS RACE WHICH MADE DISARMAMENT MORE URGENT THAN EVER; INEFFECTIVENESS OF ARMS LIMITATION AND CONTROL AGREEMENTS WHICH NECESSITATED A FRESH GLOBAL APPROACH; AND THE GENERAL RECOGNITION OF THE NEED FOR A SERIOUS APPRAISAL OF THE BASIC TENETS OF THE ARMS RACE AND DISARMAMENT WHICH CREATED GENUINE DEMAND FOR A REASSESSMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL ASSUMPTIONS UNDERLYING SECURITY REQUIREMENTS AND THEIR BEARING ON THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF ALL NATIONS. HOVEYDA SAID A PROGRAM OF ACTION WAS THE AREA IN WHICH THE SPECIAL SESSION'S VALUE WOULD BE PUT TO THE TEST, AND WARNED AGAINST HASTY AGREEMENT ON ABSTRACT PRIORITIES OR A RIGID PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIONS.

DATCU (ROMANIA) DECRIED LACK OF PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT; SAID THE TIME HAD COME FOR A RADICAL TURNING POINT IN DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS AND IN THE MACHINERY TO CARRY OUT SUCH NEGOTIATIONS, AND STRESSED THAT DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS MUST COME UNDER UN AEGIS "IN OPEN FORUMS UNDER THE EYE OF WORLD PUBLIC OPINION."

JAROSZEK (POLAND) EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE SPECIAL GA'S AGENDA SHOULD INCLUDE: GENERAL DEBATE, PREPARATIONS FOR CONVENING WDC, ROLE OF THE UN IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT, AND ADOPTION OF CONFIDENTIAL

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A FINAL DOCUMENT OR DOCUMENTS. HE SAID DECISION-MAKING BY CONSENSUS WAS A PRECONDITION OF SUCCESS; COMPLAINED THAT THE SOCIALIST STATES WERE SERIOUSLY UNDER-REPRESENTED IN THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE; AND PROPOSED THAT THE SECRETARIAT COMPILE FOR THE COMMITTEE A DOCUMENT LISTING DISARMAMENT AND RELATED PROPOSALS OFFICIALLY SUBMITTED TO THE UN, INCLUDING SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSAL, DATE AND COUNTRY OF SUBMISSION, AND STATUS OF ITS FOLLOW-UP.

GARCIA-ROBLES (MEXICO) CALLED ATTENTION TO A NUMBER OF DISARMAMENT STUDIES HIS DELEGATION SUGGESTED THE SECRETARIAT CARRY OUT IN PREPARATION FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION, AND FORMALLY PROPOSED THE SECRETARIAT PREPARE A TOPICAL SUMMARY OF COUNTRY RESPONSES ON THE SPECIAL GA ON DISARMAMENT. BARTON (CANADA)

PROPOSED THAT THE SECRETARIAT PREPARE AN INFORMAL DOCUMENT DEALING WITH ALL PROCEDURAL ITEMS WHICH WOULD APPEAR ON THE SPECIAL SESSION'S AGENDA AND INDICATE HOW THE SESSION WOULD DEAL WITH DECISIONS CONTAINING FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.

7. COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA STANDING COMMITTEE III --

THE COMMITTEE MAY 10 DISCUSSED THE PROBLEMS OF PREPARING A MAP OF NAMIBIA, AS REQUESTED BY THE GA IN RESOLUTION A/31/150. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF BURUNDI ANNOUNCED HIS GOVERNMENT IS CONTRIBUTING \$2,500 TOWARDS THE COST OF THE MAPUTO CONFERENCE. UNESCO REPRESENTATIVE BARTELS TOLD THE COMMITTEE ABOUT COOPERATION BETWEEN HIS AGENCY AND THE COUNCIL AND SAID UNESCO WOULD BE ABLE TO COOPERATE IN COMPILING STATISTICAL AND HISTORICAL RECORDS OF NAMIBIA'S CULTURAL HERITAGE IF ASKED TO DO SO BY THE COUNCIL.

CESAR, CHIEF OF THE UN CARTOGRAPHIC UNIT REPORTED THAT THE UNIT WOULD BE ABLE TO PREPARE A TOPOGRAPHICAL MAP OF NAMIBIA FROM EXISTING INFORMATION IN ITS FILES. HOWEVER, SINCE IT DID NOT DO ANY SURVEYING, THE UNIT WOULD HAVE TO RELY ON OUTSIDE INFORMATION TO PREPARE A POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MAP. SWAPO
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REPRESENTATIVE GURIRAB STATED THERE WAS NO MAP AVAILABLE SHOWING THE POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REALITIES OF NAMIBIA AND THAT WAS WHY THE GA REQUESTED A MAP INDICATING THE POLITICAL REALITIES OF NAMIBIA AS THEY EXIST TODAY. PRESENT MAPS SHOWED BANTUSTANS AND WERE UNREALISTIC, HE SAID. CESAR TOLD HIM THE SECRETARIAT DID NOT HAVE INFORMATION TO COMPILE A PROPER POLITICAL MAP, AND GURIRAB REPLIED THAT A PAUCITY OF INFORMATION WAS NOT AN ADEQUATE EXPLANATION FOR PRODUCING A NEW MAP THAT MIGHT ONLY REFLECT AN OLD SOUTH AFRICAN MAP. ZAMBIA WANTED THE CAPRIVI STRIP INCLUDED IN A NEW MAP. THE CHAIRMAN AND MEXICO AGREED WITH SWAPO, AND MEXICO SUGGESTED SWAPO COULD PROVIDE INFORMATION TO HELP MAKE A PROPER MAP. GURIRAB'S RESPONSE WAS THAT SWAPO DID NOT HAVE THE FACILITIES OR THE AUTHORITY TO GO INTO NAMIBIA. AUSTRALIA ASKED IF TOPOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION WAS ACCEPTABLE TO SWAPO, AND, IF SO, COULD THE UNIT REPRODUCE A MAP WITHOUT THE POLITICAL BOUNDARIES AND DIVISIONS. INDIA AND MEXICO SUPPORTED THAT SUGGESTION, AND SWAPO PREFERRED NO MAP TO ONE THAT LEGITIMIZED SOUTH AFRICA'S VIEW OF NAMIBIA.

8. PANAMANIAN-LIBYAN COMMUNIQUE --

AT THE REQUEST OF PANAMA AND LIBYA, THE UN CIRCULATED (A/32/77), UNDER GA AGENDA ITEM ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY, TEXT OF PANAMANIAN-LIBYAN JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE CONCLUSION OF

GEN. TORRIJOS' VISIT TO LIBYA. (USUN 1456)

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